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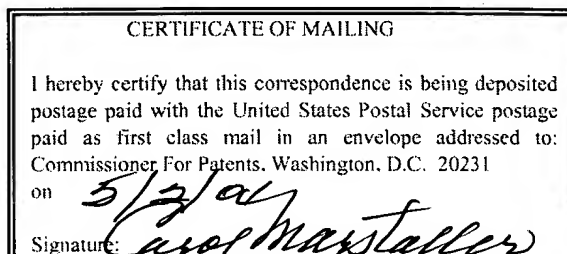
In re patent application of: Bhatia et al.

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For: A System, Method and Apparatus for Polling Telecommunications Nodes for Real Time Information

Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231



Dear Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

A petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one month extension of time in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed January 22, 2001. If this petition is granted, the new response date will be May 22, 2001.

If these papers are not considered timely filed with the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary additional time to make these papers timely, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 10-0447.

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